

Minutes: May 18, 2011 meeting of the
TWIN OAKS VALLEY COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP

Agenda Item 1: - Roll Call and Advisory Role Statement

Farrell called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm, Farrell read the advisory role statement. Present: Sandra Farrell (Chair), Gil Jemmott (Co-Vice Chair), Karen Binns (Co-Vice chair), Ben Morris (secretary), Henry Palmer, Tom Kumura, absent: Jon Mehtlan.

Agenda Item 2: Review of minutes of meetings: Minutes from December 15, 2010 meeting were reviewed; a motion to approve was made by Morris and seconded by Kumura, motion passed 5-0-1. The April 20, 2011 minutes were reviewed and corrections noted, Morris made a motion to approve as corrected, and Farrell seconded, the motion passed 4-0-2, with Palmer and Kamura abstaining

Agenda Item 3: Public Forum: Karen Binns had received a hard copy of the Vallecitos Water District EIR which is for their 2008 Water/Wastewater Recycle Master Plan Update. The Update is for long term Capital Programs through 2030. The review period is from May 10 through June 28. Binns indicated she would review and if appropriate request it be put on the Agenda for next month's meeting.

Agenda Item 4: Royal Road Cellular Facility PCA 3300-10-006 (P10-006): AT&T Mobility is proposing to install 12 panel antennas and one 4 foot diameter microwave antenna on a new 35-foot high Monopine. Associated equipment includes an 18' x 17'-4" x 8' high open topped enclosure with sound attenuation. Location: 3461 Royal Road. Nearest cross street is Hardell Lane. Revised landscape plan has been submitted. Ted Marioncelli was not able to attend tonight's meeting and Mr. Duffy Dougherty from AT&T made the presentation. It was noted that the neighbor to the property who had previously expressed concerns was not present. Mr. Dougherty indicated that he had been made aware of the item being heard tonight and had been invited. He indicated that the County review comments had been included in the plans he passed to the members, and also indicated that the County was going to hold AT&T responsible for the landscape maintenance for the site, which was acceptable to AT&T. The review of the plans revealed that oleanders were still shown to be planted and at last month's meeting it was requested that another plant be considered as there are ongoing infestation problems with oleanders. After discussion, Mr. Dougherty indicated that he understood the County had accepted the oleanders, but he was not sure if any alternatives had been discussed with them. Considerable discussion concerning the landscape maintenance roles and responsibilities as well as scope of work followed up on the concern that the previous towers landscape had deteriorated over time. A motion was made by Farrell which required that AT&T would insure the plant selection being made is appropriate and provides solutions for the issues raised concerning oleanders and infestation in the SD County; that the landscape installation be inspected four times over the first year and semi annually after that for the life of the tower lease, and that any deficiencies are corrected immediately. Morris seconded the motion and it passed 6-0-0.

Agenda Item 5: Equine Policy and Ordinance: Update on meetings held at County on policies and ordinances related to keeping horses both for personal use, boarding and public stables. Morris reported that County Staff had submitted their Options For Updating the Equine Regulations in a May 20, 2011 report to the Planning Commission. The report is consistent with the update provided at last month's meeting and indicated the recommendation is for the tiered option. The estimated cost for the EIR preparation had been reduced to \$350,000, staff still need to identify a funding source. Comments from the audience included a general observation that there are fewer backyard facilities and more commercial equestrian facilities are needed. A general discussion on upcoming Planning Commission meeting and the Board of Supervisors meetings was held. County staff had indicated that once the decision was made on the preferred option there would be a lot of work to be done to actually prepare for an EIR. Palmer had numerous questions concerning manure management which were asked of the equestrian property owners in the audience. Morris indicated he would continue to report on the progress of the new policy and ordinance.

Agenda Item 6: "Safe Routes to School" Grant Program: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) grant program for projects that enhance safe walking and bicycling routes to school. Safe Routes to School grants provide federal funds that enhance the transportation safety of students in your area. Grants are available for sidewalks, pedestrian facilities, traffic calming, traffic control devices, bicycle facilities, and education within two-miles of a school that serves Kindergarten through 8th Grade. Applications must be submitted by an incorporated city or a county. County Department of Public Works (DPW) will coordinate your grant project application. If you would like the County to submit an application for a proposal within the unincorporated area of the County on your behalf, please follow the enclosed instructions. Submit your proposal prior to May 27, 2011. Contact: dion.mcmicheaux@sdcounty.ca.gov or 858-694-2815. For general questions, please contact Orelia DeBraal at (858) 694-8982 or orelia.debraal@sdcounty.ca.gov. Farrell reported that she had spoke with Mike Edwards with the City of San Marcos to see what actions the City was considering, as we have no existing schools in our area. Mr. Edwards indicated that they were considering a Grant application to address problems at the elementary school (where we are meeting) to provide for safe access in crossing N. Twin Oaks Valley Road at Cassou Rd. the project would be for creating a safe waiting area for large groups of pedestrians waiting to cross. Farrell asked the members if there were any opportunities they thought should be considered for us to recommend to the County. Members of the audience mentioned that the number of children walking on Cassou Rd. is considerable and the conditions are unsafe. The roadway is narrow, with no paths for the children. They wanted consideration to be made to extend a trail which could be used by pedestrians as well as equestrians traveling on this street. A considerable discussion ensued as to how the joint use of a trail would probably not work. Also these residents should be aware of the very tight time line to apply for the grant, and getting the school district and County on board with their concept. After lengthy discussion no action was taken, the residents were encouraged to meet with the school district.

Agenda Item 7: San Marcos General Plan Update: The City of San Marcos is going through a General Plan Update. Properties adjoining the Twin Oaks Valley Community Plan Area may have use changes that will impact Twin Oaks. Farrell asked if anyone had a chance to meet with the City staff, and no one had any meetings. Farrell will call Jerry Backoff of the City of San Marcos and request he contact Binns to arrange for the meeting. The next meeting of the GPAC is May 26, and Sandra will try and attend. A question was asked by the audience as to whether there were any changes to our area. Farrell indicated

that there were some property owners across from the Market who had requested changes to commercial use. This invoked a response that we should be very concerned if there is any attempt to change the agricultural use.

Agenda Item 8: General Plan Update (was GP-2020): Review of Board of Supervisors actions regarding the General Plan Update. Farrell reported that there was no new information. August is the next meeting according to Binns. Morris asked if we had received any confirmation on our past recommendations on various land use issues such as the one we discussed at last month's meeting. Farrell indicated that all she had heard was a response from Jimmy Wong regarding the comment made concerning the FEMA flood map and data reportedly based on old maps. Mr. Wong informed her that even though the map reference was old, the data was correctly used by staff. Morris felt it would be helpful if some type of matrix or report, concerning the properties we had taken positions on, could be prepared by staff in order for us to keep up with issues. Farrell thought this would be helpful and she would request Mr. Wong to prepare such report.

Agenda Item 9: Community Plan Update: What is needed to complete or move the development of the Community Plan forward. Update from Sub-Committee of Palmer, Jemmott and Morris. Morris reported that unfortunately the sub-committee had not been able to meet and was having difficulty determining a convenient time for their meeting. Morris asked if it would be possible for an alternate member to be named or if two of the three could go ahead and meet. After some discussion it was felt that if Morris and Palmer could work together and Jemmott could join in the meetings as his time allows that would be acceptable. Morris and Palmer agreed to start the work over the next month.

Agenda Item 10: Update on ongoing projects: None

Agenda Item 11: Old Business: None

Agenda Item 12: Administration and correspondence: Binns had questions about the Ethics on line class and there was a short discussion on how to comply with this requirement. Farrell adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Ben Morris, Secretary

The next regular meeting of the TOVCSG will be on Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Twin Oaks Elementary School.